

REMARKS

The present application's parent was allowed. However, that Notice of Allowance included amendments to the claims made after the six-month period for response from the final rejection. It is believed that the Examiner intended to withdraw the final rejection. However, to avoid any uncertainty about this issue, the attached Petition is filed so that any issue about the propriety of the amendment indicated in the Notice of Allowance can be overcome.

Particularly, it should be noted that claim 2 was amended in the same way as claim 1 had previously been amended. This could give rise to an issue with respect to whether or not amendments were made after the six-month date that are not permitted.

While the applicant believes that the parent was properly allowed, this Petition and RCE is being filed in an abundance of caution.

Respectfully submitted,

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